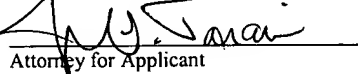


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Applicant(s): Samarth SARTHI et al.
Filed: August 25, 2000
Title: PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION SUPPLY CHAIN OPTIMIZATION SOFTWARE
Art Unit: 3626
Examiner: Vanel Frenel
Docket No.: DB000877-000
Customer No.: 24122

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- Amendment, Response to Office Action of October 3, 2003;
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